

# ABSTRACT

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## RADIO LINK PROTOCOL WITH REDUCED SIGNALING OVERHEAD

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A signaling method for a link protocol used for transmitting a data unit in a telecommunication system and a network element using the signaling method are described, wherein a predetermined number of a sequence number field provided in a protocol data unit is used for signaling a control function of the link protocol, such as a protocol reset function. Thereby, a separate control PDU-type is no longer required for signaling the respective control function, such that transmission overhead can be reduced.

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